

# Mississippians Named By FMB

RICHMOND, Va.—Two natives and a former resident of Mississippi were among 17 young people appointed missionaries by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board at its December, 1957, meeting.

They are: Mrs. Samuel R. J. Cannata, Jr., of Teague, Tex.,

who will serve with her husband in Southern Rhodesia; Rev. Howard L. Smith, of Fort Worth, Tex., who will serve with his wife in Nigeria; and Miss Betty Jane Hunt, of Richmond, Va., who will serve in Korea.

Mrs. Cannata is the former Virginia (Ginny) Currey, native of Greenville, Miss. She received the bachelor of arts degree from Blue Mountain (Miss.) College and worked as an associate in the student department of Louisiana Baptist Convention prior to her marriage in June of this year.

## G. A.'s Influenced

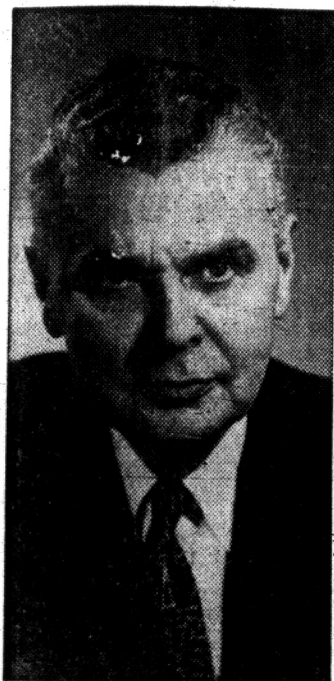
Mrs. Cannata told the Board that through Girl's Auxiliary she learned much about missions and the Bible. "All thru my college days I felt a pull toward foreign missions but I would not submit to that call," she related.

She decided to do student work and in her position with the student department of the Louisiana Convention she came in contact with and was influenced by many mission volunteers. "I realized anew that I must settle the question of missions in my life before I could help the students in their decisions. Finally I told the Lord to use my life for missions, knowing He would," she said.

Prior to going to Teague as a general practitioner in August of this year, Dr. Cannata had been resident in Huey P. Long Hospital, Pineville, La.; intern in Columbia (S. C.) Hospital; and nurse's technician at the University of Texas Medical School, Galveston. Also he served as youth director Broadmoor Baptist Church, Shreveport, La., and as a Bible salesman in East Tennessee.

In 1952 he went to Nigeria as a Baptist Student Union sum-

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John G. Diefenbaker

## P.M. Of Canada To Speak

TORONTO, Canada (BWA)—The Hon. John G. Diefenbaker, prime minister of Canada, has agreed to speak on "World Peace" at the Sunday evening sessions of the 5th Baptist Youth World Conference in Toronto June 27-July 2, 1958.

Mr. Diefenbaker already had told Douglas Gow, chairman of the arrangements committee for Canadian Baptists, that he would serve as honorary patron for the occasion which is expected to attract 6,000 young people from 50 nations of the world.

His acceptance of the invitation to speak was announced by Robert S. Denny, secretary for youth work of the Baptist World Alliance, after Mr. Denny and Dr. Theodore F. Adams, BWA president, visited with the Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker during the recent sessions of the North American Baptist Women's Union in Toronto.

## Is a Baptist

Both Mr. and Mrs. Diefenbaker are Baptists. Mrs. Diefenbaker, daughter of a Baptist minister, addressed the women's meeting.

Born in Ontario but educated at the University of Saskatchewan, Mr. Diefenbaker served overseas during World War I, then returned home to gain high esteem as a lawyer in Western Canada.

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MISSISSIPPI WAS REPRESENTED by three of the 17 young people appointed missionaries by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in its monthly meeting in Richmond, Va., today. Pictured (left to right) are: Dr. and Mrs. Samuel R. J. Cannata, Jr., of Teague, Tex. (she is a native of Greenville, Miss.)

appointed for Southern Rhodesia; Rev. and Mrs. Howard L. Smith, of Fort Worth, Tex. (he is a native of Rosedale, Miss.), for Nigeria; and Miss Betty Jane Hunt, of Richmond, Virginia, (a former resident of Grenada, Mississippi), for Korea.

## World Missions Conferences Soon

Every Mississippi Baptist has been urged to attend one of the series of eight one-day World Mission Conferences scheduled for January 20-31.

A strong program, featuring every phase of World Missions, will be conducted at each conference, according to Dr. Joe T. Odle, associate executive secretary.

Visiting speakers the first week will be Dr. Courts Redford, executive secretary, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, and Dr. Eugene Hill, secretary for Missionary Education and Promotion, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond.

Visiting speakers the second week will be Dr. S. F. Dowis, secretary of Cooperative Missions, Home Mission Board, and Fon H. Scofield, secretary for Audio-Visual Education, Foreign Mission Board.

Each day's conference will include three sessions, one from 10:00 a. m. until 12:30 noon; one from 1:45 p. m. until 4:00 p. m. and the last from 7:00 until 9:00 p. m.

Speaking also the first week only will be Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor First Church, Jackson; Dr. S. R. Woodson, pastor First Church, Columbus, and Rev. James Harrell, superintendent of missions of Scott County Association.

To speak the second week only will be Dr. John G. McCall, pastor First Church, Vicksburg; Rev. Clifton Perkins, pastor First Church, West Point, and Rev. Troy Prince, superintendent of missions, Lauderdale County Association.

Those to speak both weeks will be Dr. Chester L. Quarles, state executive secretary - treasurer; Miss Edwina Robinson, state W. M. U. secretary; Dr. Odle, and Rev. Gordon Sansing, state secretary Department of Cooperative Missions.

Every church leader has been urged to begin now to work for a large attendance from his own church.

The Brotherhoods of the local churches have been urged to work for a large attendance of men especially for the evening services, according to W. R. Roberts, state Brotherhood secretary.

The schedule is as follows: Jan. 20, Louisville First; 21, New Albany First; 23, Clarksdale Church; 24, Belzoni First; 27, Laurel First; 28, Biloxi First; 30, McComb First; 31, Jackson Northside. (Note: Jan. 31 meeting was originally scheduled for Crystal Springs but changed to Jackson Northside.)

These conferences have been held each January for the past several years in the interest of world missions.

## Seminary To Get Property

NASHVILLE—(BP)—Trustees of Midwestern Baptist Seminary plan to close a deal for "highly desirable" property in Kansas City, Mo., which will be the new seminary's campus.

The Southern Baptist Executive Committee instructed the Southern Baptist Foundation to lend the seminary \$60,625 interest free out of the Southern Baptist Convention reserve fund. This money will be used as a down payment on the property.

The total cost of the property is \$252,500, trustees told the Executive Committee. They said the property is across the river north of downtown Kansas City at the junction of two federal trunk highways.

The 60,625 will be repaid to SBC reserves from capital funds allotted the seminary in 1959 and 1960 from Cooperative Program gifts. Trustees of the seminary are to execute a note for the loan until repaid. Midwestern Seminary plans to open to students in the fall of 1958, meeting in buildings of Calvary Baptist Church, Kansas City.

## Budget \$431,000 Set

### Frisco Graham Crusade

SAN FRANCISCO (RNS)—A budget of \$431,000 was adopted by the Billy Graham San Francisco Bay Cities Crusade Executive Committee for the evangelist's six-week crusade to open here April 27.

Committee officials said the original \$250,000 budget estimate, made last September, was too low and the new figure represents the actual costs involved.

About 500 of the 1500 local Protestant churches already have indicated they are supporting the campaign.



EVANGELISM LEADERS SEE MISSISSIPPI — NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Dr. Leonard Sanderson, (right), Secretary of Evangelism, Home Mission Board of the Southern Convention and Dr. Joe T. Odle, Associate Executive Secretary, Mississippi Convention Board, discuss the 1959 Southwide Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade during a recent meeting of Evangelism leaders here. Dr. Odle is pointing out the state of Mississippi on the map, showing that it is divided into two areas for the revivals. The simultaneous meetings in South Mississippi will be March 15-29, 1959 and those in North Mississippi, April 12-26, 1959.

## Encyclopedia Ready By January 20

By Joe Abrams  
Associate Editor

Information, please. That is, information about Southern Baptists.

After Jan. 20 there will be no excuse for Southern Baptists not knowing themselves, because that is the day the long-awaited and anticipated Encyclopedia of Southern Baptists will be available at your Baptist Book Store.

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Mississippi Baptists will rejoice because there are more than 40 pages devoted altogether

er to Mississippi Baptist life and work.

Any question about Mississippi or Southern Baptists will likely be answered quickly in the new mammoth two-volume set.

Baptist policy, history, doctrines, movements, organized work, personalities, relation to laws, are among the general subjects to be treated.

## Board Underwrites

A total of 25 persons contributed to the work in Mississippi which was underwritten by the State Convention Board, Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

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## State's Educational Leaders Plan For Future



SEVERAL OF MISSISSIPPI'S educational leaders were snapped by a Baptist Record photographer when the Education Commission of the State Convention met at the Baptist Building. From left: Dr. R. A. McLemore, new president of Mississippi College; Rev. W. Lowrey Comperre, head of Clarke College; Dr. J. Ralph Noonkester, president of Wm. Carey College, and Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, chairman of the Commission.

## Wake Forest Board Rejects Dance Move

WINSTON-SALEM — (BP) — Wake Forest College trustees have rejected a motion that the college permit supervised on-campus dancing despite recent action of the Baptist State Convention.

Dr. George Paschal, Raleigh physician and one of the trustees, offered the motion at a closed meeting of the trustees. The college's publicity director issued a statement about the meeting to reporters afterward.

The vote was 20-7 against Dr. Paschal's motion. Seven trustees abstained from voting. Except for this vote, there apparently was no action on the dancing question.

The Baptist State Convention in November reaffirmed a 20-year-old policy forbidding social dances on campuses of the con-

vention-operated colleges. Earlier, Wake Forest trustees had voted to permit dancing on campus, but the convention's action reversed their decision.

The trustees appointed a committee of nine of their number to study their relationship to the Baptist State Convention.

## Spotlight On Hosea

"Studies In Hosea" will be the suggested book for annual Bible Study Week scheduled for next week, Jan. 6-10.

Dr. K. Owen White, pastor, First Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, is the author of the book, to be studied each night in most of the churches in the state and throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

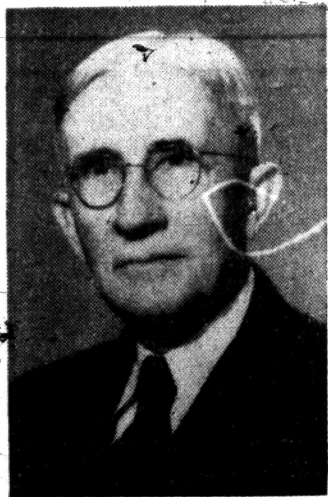


## Rural Churches To Be Cited

Ten outstanding rural churches in Mississippi will be honored at the Tenth Annual Town and Country Church Program at Mississippi State College on Wednesday, January 22, 1958. These ten churches were judged to have the best records submitted in the 1957 Rural Church Recognition program sponsored annually by the Mississippi Christian Community Fellowship and Mississippi State College.

The churches and pastors are: Big Oak Baptist, Itawamba County, Rev. J. C. Harvey, pastor; Brewer Methodist, Lee County, Rev. C. Wasson, pastor;

Carriere First Baptist, Pearl River County, Rev. Phil J. Walker, pastor; Central Grove Baptist, Monroe County, Rev.



**TO LEAD PARKWAY BIBLE STUDY** — Dr. J. M. Price, director emeritus of the School of Religious Education of Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, will lead in a church-wide Bible Study at Parkway Church, Jackson, January 6-9. Dr. Price will use the book, "Studies in Hosea," by Dr. K. O. White.

Charles Ellis, pastor; Coffeeville Methodist, Yalobusha County, Rev. Claude W. Johnson, pastor; Oak Valley Christian, Lee County, Rev. Frank S. Perry, pastor; Oakland Methodist, Yalobusha County, Rev. J. C. Perkins, pastor; Palmetto Methodist, Lee County, Rev. H. L. Hathorn, pastor; Pleasant Hill Baptist, Lee County, Rev. A. G. Graham, pastor; Wheeler Grove Baptist, Alcorn County, Rev. Benton Estes, pastor.

**Hilburn Will Present** — These churches will receive a citation of merit from Mississippi State College and the Mississippi Christian Community Fellowship. President Ben Hilburn of Mississippi State College will make the presentation.

The pastors will receive a scholarship to attend the Town and Country Church Leadership Institute at Mississippi State, January 20-22.

The general purpose of the Rural Church Recognition Program is "Toward the development of a Better Church in a Better Community in a Better World."

president of the new Brotherhood at North Carrollton Church, Rev. B. D. Hardin, pastor.

Rev. Odell Fish has resigned the pastorate of the Poplar Springs Church, Carroll County, to accept the pastorate of the Bethesda Church, Montgomery County.

Mrs. Regina Noble, who has served as the director of music and church secretary for the past two years at Parkview Church, Greenville has resigned effective January 15. Rev. A. B. Pierce is the pastor at Parkview.

Rev. V. W. Denton has resigned as pastor of the Trinity Church in Desoto County.

Dr. Donald B. Roark has served for two consecutive years as Director of the Forward Program of Church Finance at First Church, Yazoo City. Rev. Harold Shirley, pastor. The December 20 issue of the "Church Chimes" was printed as the ROARK issue, in honor of him.

Dr. D. C. Applegate, pastor of First Church, Sarkville, will be the preacher for Spiritual Emphasis Week January 27-31, to be sponsored by the Itawamba Junior College BSU and Trinity Baptist Church, Fulton.

### Invited to New York

### Editor in Foreign Affairs Talks

Dr. W. C. Fields, editor of the Baptist Record, will spend next week in New York with Protestant, Catholic and Jewish editors considering moral problems in international life.

Invited to the conference by the Church Peace Union, a foundation dedicated to the preservation of spiritual values in the world community, the editors will talk with officials of the United Nations and the U. S. State Department.

Among those speaking to the approximately forty editors will be representatives to the United Nations from several foreign countries, U. S. delegates, and international affairs experts from this country and abroad.

The editors will be honored with a reception and dinner at the United Nations building on Tuesday evening.



Southern has unique service—Louisville, Ky. Dr. J. M. Price, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, (left) and student E. Mervyn Altman put Yule Log on fire at 14th Annual Yule Log Service of the Seminary's School of Church Music.



## ELEMENTARY CONFERENCE CONDUCTED AT 1ST. H'BURG

First Church, Hattiesburg, conducted an Elementary Conference for all workers in Sunday School and Training Union December 8 through 11.

The Conference was conducted by Mrs. A. A. Greene of Jackson. Emphasis was placed on the departments working together in Training Union and Sunday School. Basic techniques were discussed, new materials presented, problems discussed, equipment arranged, and personal conferences were held.

Twenty-four of the 31 enrolled for the Conference are pictured.

Reading from left to right they are: first row, Miss Erma Morgan, Mrs. Bruce Aultman, Mrs. Robert Loftus, Mrs. William Haralson, Mrs. T. R. Diem, Mrs. James Berry. Second row: Mrs. B. T. Griffith, Mrs. John Britt, Mrs. Henry Holfield, Mrs. Ted Burdette, Jr., Miss Bessie Ellington, Miss Sue Reynolds, Mrs. E. T. Gullledge, Miss Vada Bradley, Mrs. Betty Ross. Third row: Hugh McCann, Mrs. Hugh McCann, Mrs. J. G. DeFoore, Mrs. Bess Walker, Miss Pearl Clifton, Miss Thelma Bradley, Mrs. Fulton Adams, Mrs. A. A. Greene, Chester Vaughn.



### Purvis Ordained

The Southside Church, Jackson, has ordained Rev. Ben Purvis to the gospel ministry. He has been called to the pastorate of the Goodrum Memorial Church, Vicksburg.

Rev. S. W. Valette, pastor of the church, led in the ordination service. Rev. R. T. Hegwood, pastor of the Pilgrim's Rest church, Crystal Springs, brought the sermon and Deacon Burnett Holbrook, of the Southside church, in the prayer. The charge was delivered by the Rev. W. J. Murray, pastor of the Hopewell church, Hopewell, with the Bible being presented by the Rev. Charlie Bryant, pastor of the Harmony Church, Vicksburg.

Rev. Billy Byrd, pastor of the Calvary Church, Tylertown, presented the certificate. Charlie C. Purvis, father of Rev. Purvis and a Deacon in the Calvary church, Tylertown, led in the benediction.

He is a native of Tylertown. He attended Clarke College, and is now a senior at Mississippi College. He served two years in the U. S. Army, fifteen months of which he was stationed in Germany.

He is married to the former Juliette Bishop of Jackson and they have one son, Russell.

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — Creation of a study commission on the role of radio, television and films in religion was authorized by the National Council of Churches at its triennial assembly here.

## Chastain Honored At Carey

A memorial service, in honor of Dr. James Garvin Chastain, who was born on December 18, 1853, and who served as a Southern Baptist Missionary in Mexico, Cuba, and Florida for 40 years, was held during the morning watch period at William Carey College. This service, which was led by Carey student Wayne Stickstill, was dedicated to Dr. Judson Chastain, son of the Baptist missionary, and Dean of Men at William Carey College.

The students were informed that Dr. James Garvin Chastain was born in Itawamba County, graduated from Mississippi College as valedictorian of his class, received his Master of Theology Degree from Southern Seminary, Louisville, and at the age of 34 went to Mexico as a missionary. Following his 30 years of service in Mexico, he spent three years in Cuba and seven in a Spanish colony in Southern Florida.

### Rides Plane at 97

At the age of 97, as Dr. Chastain prepared to take his first airplane ride to the Baptist Foreign Mission Conference, Ridgecrest, North Carolina, he said, "If I go down with the plane, it will be in the interest of foreign missions."

Following the decision of 122 young people to become foreign missionaries, Dr. Chastain died in 1953 at the age of 100.

## Nielsen Accepts Alabama Pastorate

Dr. R. Elmer Nielsen, pastor of the Immanuel Church of Hattiesburg announced on Sunday his resignation effective Feb. 1st to accept the pastorate of the First Church of Cullman, Ala.

The hub city pastor began his ministry at Immanuel in August, 1952. Since that time 624 new members have joined the church, 174 of them for baptism. Sunday School enrollment increased from 357 to 559. The budget rose from \$16,967 to more than \$50,000. Giving to the Cooperative Program and total missions more than tripled. A new auditorium was completed last year, seating 1,000.

### Returns "Home"

In changing pastorate Dr. Nielsen returns to his native state. He was born and reared in Montgomery. He is a graduate of Howard College and the New Orleans Seminary where he received the B.D. and Th.D. degrees.

Dr. Nielsen has served in many positions of leadership both locally and at the state level. He served last year as president of the Hattiesburg Ministerial Association, composed of 77 ministers. He is now B. S. U. Pastor Advisor at William Carey College. During the past year he served as chairman of the State Convention's Committee on Order of Business.



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### Baptist Press To Expand Facilities

NASHVILLE — (BP) — The Southern Baptist Executive Committee has approved expansion of Baptist Press, the Southern Baptist Convention news service.

The Committee authorized Baptist Press to establish on a co-operative and experimental basis an office in Washington, D. C. The only expense to Baptist Press of the Washington office would be in providing stationery and mailing supplies.

W. Barry Garrett, who joins the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs there as associate director on Jan. 1, would function as a regional editor for the Baptist Press.

Garrett has been serving as editor of the Baptist Beacon, Arizona Baptist weekly newspaper which is a member paper of Baptist Press.

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**COMPLETES 29 YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE**—The pastor, Rev. Wilburn Matthews, of Rawls Springs Church, Hattiesburg, is shown congratulating T. R. Cooksey who has recently retired after serving for the past 29 years as Sunday School Superintendent. A special church reception was given in honor of Mr. Cooksey for his many years of faithful and outstanding work.

## BWA Sends Greetings For The New Year

To all our Baptist World Fellowship: Greetings and good wishes in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. May the New Year be a blessed and happy one in your hearts, your homes, and your churches, as we serve together in the work of the Kingdom.

The past year has been a good one in the work of the Alliance. The Executive Committee had



**MUSIC DIRECTOR AT MORTON, FIRST**—Bob Pollard, native of Jackson, and a third-year student at Mississippi College, assumed his duties as Music Director of First Church, Morton on January 1. Morton Church has a graded choir program, all of which will be under the leadership of Mr. Pollard. Mr. Pollard has for the last two years held a similar position at Collins. Rev. N. F. Greer is pastor at Morton.

a representative and enthusiastic meeting in Washington, D. C. and decided that the next World Congress will be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in 1960. The next World Youth Conference will meet in Toronto, Canada, in 1958.

A heavy emphasis on evangelism will increasingly mark our Baptist activities. In some contingents and countries plans are always under way to make 1959 a special period of organized simultaneous evangelistic effort.

Some of our number serve the Lord in hard and difficult situations. Some are "persecuted for righteousness' sake." Others bear their witness in the face of many obstacles and restrictions. Let us in our daily prayers remember them and all who serve the Lord in spirit and in truth. May God bless us each in our own place of service and all of us in our work together for the Lord Christ and His Eternal Kingdom.

Theodore F. Adams, Pres.  
Arnold A. Ohn, Gen. Sec.  
Robt. S. Denny, Asso. Sec.  
Henry Cook, Acting Asso. Sec. in Europe.

## Mohon Resigns First, Okolona

Resolutions have been adopted by the Okolona Church in appreciation of Rev. B. L. Mohon, who has been pastor there for seven years, the longest any pastor ever served the church.

Mr. Mohon recently resigned the pastorate at Okolona because of ill health.

During his pastorate there have been 178 additions to the church, 73 on profession of faith. The church auditorium has been redecorated and air-conditioned and new pews installed, and a new Grand piano purchased. Last summer the church employed a music director. Additional Sunday School rooms have been completed. First Church, Okolona, was instrumental in securing as a gift the Carnation plant to be used by a group, now called the Carnation Baptist Church.

The resolutions stated that "whereas the Mohons are loved and appreciated by members of First Church and by those of all other denominations, and those of no denomination therefore be it resolved that we express to them and their children our love and appreciation for all that has been accomplished in our church for the Lord during his ministry."

The resolutions were signed by Charles Shumake, R. W. Coleman, Mrs. W. S. Stone, and Roy B. Evans.



**NEW PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL COUNCIL**—ST. LOUIS, Mo. — Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg, pastor of Delmar Baptist church here, was elected president of the National Council of Churches at its triennial general assembly. He succeeds Dr. Eugene Carson Blake of Philadelphia, stated clerk of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. Dr. Dahlberg, 64, is the first Baptist and the first parish pastor to head the Council since it was formed in 1950. He is a former president of the American Baptist Convention and the Metropolitan Church Federation of St. Louis. The new president will serve a three-year term.—(RNS Photo).

## Alonzo Loftin Rites Last Week

The Reverend Alonzo Roudet Loftin, 84-year old retired Baptist minister of Hattiesburg, died in Jackson at 1:35 p. m. Monday of last week, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Carl Kosanke. He came here about four months ago to visit Mrs. Kosanke, was taken ill and did not recover sufficiently to return to Hattiesburg.

He was a native of Choctaw county, Alabama, was a graduate of Howard Baptist College in Birmingham, and held pastorates in Alabama and Mississippi.

### Survivors

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Minnie Daniels Loftin, of Hattiesburg; three daughters, Mrs. Earl Oliver, of Hazlecrest, Ill.; Mrs. Kosanke and Mrs. Smith; three sons, Roudet F. Loftin, of Bakersfield, Calif., Carey Loftin, of Hollywood, Calif., and Paul Loftin of Hattiesburg; one half-sister, Mrs. Sarah Whitsett, of Foley, Ala.; sixteen grandchildren; one great grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:00 p. m. Tuesday from the Sunrise-Zion Hill Baptist Church, near Hattiesburg, with the Rev. J. T. Renfro officiating, assisted by Rev. Doyle Combs.

Interment was made in the church cemetery.

## Denver Starts Work

DENVER — (BP) — Leroy Smith, associate executive secretary and superintendent of stewardship for the Colorado Baptist General Convention, became first city missions superintendent for Baptists in Denver on Jan. 1.

Cecil Pearson, pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, San Diego, Calif., was elected to succeed Smith as associate secretary and superintendent of stewardship and missions. He will also direct the convention's promotion of the Forward Program of Church Finance, as did Smith.

## Offering Dedicated

The First church of Purvis Dec. 29 dedicated a check for the annual Lottie Moon offering. C. E. Wilson, treasurer, presented the check to the pastor, Rev. Paul H. Leher, in the morning service in the amount of \$1,179.75, and a prayer of dedication was led by S. E. Watts, chairman of the deacons.

The goal of the Christmas offering was \$1000.00 but it was exceeded because of the interest of the church. The Sunday School was given suggested goals and when these were reached their light was turned on at the Christmas tree.

## Fairchild Resigns

Rev. James Fairchild, pastor of First Church, Louisville, has resigned to assume duties as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Hot Springs, Arkansas February 2. Mr. Fairchild and his family came to Louisville in 1949.

## FORWARD PROGRAM

of Church Finance

### WILDWOOD CHURCH, Laurel

J. M. Foy, Pastor

Membership — 505 (1956 report)

Budget Goal

1957 .. \$35,000

1958 .. \$40,000

Pledged

1957 .. \$20,000

1958 .. \$42,684

Pledges

1957 .. 157

1958 .. 424

Tithers

1957 .. 133

1958 .. 360

Cooperative Program

1957 .. \$ 1,200

1958 .. \$ 2,400

### IMMANUEL CHURCH, Natchez

Robert L. Hughes, Pastor

Membership — 728 (1956 report)

Budget Goal

1957 .. \$30,902.95

1958 .. \$64,194.00

Pledged

1957 .. None

1958 .. \$64,577.00

Pledges

1957 .. None

1958 .. 503

Tithers

1957 .. 204

1958 .. 381

Cooperative Program

1957 .. \$ 6,129.00

1958 .. \$11,050.00

## Midway, Jackson Adds Brotherhood

Midway Baptist Church, Jackson, under the leadership of Rev. William F. Evans, pastor, continued to show evidence of its numerous Christian activities and interest as the men attend organization night for their new Brotherhood on December 13th.

Midway is one of the younger churches in the Hinds County Association and is located on Clinton Boulevard about midway between Jackson and Clinton.

Organizational night, which was held in the dining room of the Bill Will Motel, Clinton, was attended by 17 men. Following a dinner and election of officers the group heard Dr. Bob E. Simmons, Pastor of Oak Forest Baptist Church, speak on the subject of "Christian Laymen."

Future meetings will be held on the last Friday of each month.

## Merigold Pastor Accident Victim

A young Baptist minister was killed Monday night at Moss Point in the collision of his automobile and a freight train. Two others were injured seriously as the accident halted a Christmas holiday trip.

Christmas presents being hauled in a car trailer were scattered over the highway.

Rev. Don McQuillis, 32, Merigold, Miss., was killed. The injured were his wife, Jacqueline, 30, and Miss Christine Miller, 22, also of Merigold. The couple's three children, ranging in age from 11 to 2, were riding in the back seat of the automobile and escaped with minor hurts. Mrs. McQuillis died later in a nearby hospital.

Officers said the car collided with Mississippi Export Railroad Co. freight in a bank of fog on Mississippi 63, according to press reports. The party was en route to Pascagoula to spend Christmas with Mrs. McQuillis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Hager.

The impact derailed a freight car. Rail and highway traffic was tied up about three hours.

## 100th Church Added

KENDALLVILLE, Ind. — (BP) — The 100th Southern Baptist Church in Indiana has been constituted here with 19 charter members. It took the name Calvary Baptist Church.



## Pastor At Bethel

Rev. James Whittington, formerly pastor of Antioch Church in Lawrence Association, has accepted the call to Bethel Church in the same association. They were welcomed on the field with a surprise pounding. Mr. Whittington is a junior at Miss. College and will continue his education there by commuting. He is married to the former Bobbie Jean Clark of Terry, and they have four daughters.

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## NICKEY AND KANEUBBE LEAD NEW CHOCTAW IN TRAINING SCHOOL

Under the leadership of Associational Training Union Director, Thomas Nickey, and Missionary Victor M. Kaneubbe, New Choctaw Association enrolled 131 in a Central Training school December 9-13. This school, held at the Indian Center in Philadelphia, registered an average attendance of 81 with a peak attendance of 102 on Friday night.

The faculty consisted of members of the state Training Union, Department and Rev. and Mrs. Kaneubbe. Methods books were studied in all classes.

New Choctaw Association has eleven churches, located in five different counties in the state. Of these eleven churches, nine were represented during the week. These were Bogue Chitto, Bethany, Bogue Homa, Canaan, Calvary, Hope, Hopewell, Mace-

donia and Mt. Zion.

During the week four churches turned a quarterly report thereby receiving a diploma in the Mississippi Honor Church Program. These churches were Bethany, Calvary, Bogue Chitto and Bogue Homa.

A group of associational officers were elected and plans for regular meetings throughout the coming year were presented to the group. Goals which were presented at "M" Night were presented again and adopted. These goals included the promotion of the Junior Memory Work Drill, Intermediate Sword Drill, Young People's Speakers' Tournament, and Adult Mission Story Feature; the observance of Alcohol Education Week in March, the Mississippi Honor Church program, Youth Week, a study course in each church and a 15% increase in enrollment.

## NEW YORK CRUSADE FINANCES SHOWN

NEW YORK (RNS) — Evangelist Billy Graham's recent 16-week New York crusade had an income of \$2,850,031 and expenditures totalling \$2,632,413.

The figures were announced by the crusade executive committee in a final audit of the campaign. The committee said the \$217,618 surplus will be used to follow-up the campaign and further Mr. Graham's evangelistic work.

The expenditures do not include the salaries of the evangelist and his associates which are paid by the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association in Minneapolis.

Of the surplus, \$67,618 will go to the Protestant Council of the City of New York which sponsored the crusade. The money will be spent to follow up those who made "decisions for Christ" and prospective converts, and to promote additional evangelistic activities.

The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association will receive the \$150,000 balance to support telecasts of subsequent crusades.

Largest single expense, \$1,054,439, was for national telecasts of New York crusade rallies. Second was \$622,961 spent for auditoriums and stadiums.

Advertising and publicity cost

\$322,309; local radio and TV programs \$114,513; office rent and operations \$239,791; housing travel expenses and "honorariums" paid to additional personnel who handled specialized work" \$133,706.

Other expense items in the budget included crusade counseling and follow-up \$56,577; the film "Miracle in Manhattan" \$60,000; and meetings, breakfasts and luncheons \$28,113.

Of the receipts, \$2,004,532 was contributed by interested persons; \$812,939 came from offerings taken at crusade meetings and \$32,560 from the sale of song books, Bibles and similar items.



**HOME DEDICATION DAY**—Nashville, Tenn. (BSSB)—Dr. Joe W. Burton, secretary, Home Education Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, checks poster for Christian Home Week, May 5-11, with artist Charles Miller (left) and Miss Caroline Henderson, associate editor, Sunday School Department. May 5 has been designated as Home Dedication Day.—Photo, Robt. Jackson.



**CHURCHES ROLE IN SPACE AGE DISCUSSED**—HARRIMAN, N. Y.—Theologians, educators, scientists and experts in other fields discussed the churches' role in the new era of earth satellites and hydrogen bombs at a two-day consultation here. The meeting was sponsored by the National Council of Churches' department of International Affairs. Subject of the consultation was "Moral Responsibility and Nuclear-Space Problems." Among those participating were left to right: Roy Blough, professor of international economics, Graduate School of Business, Columbia University; Paul H. Nitze, president, Foreign Service Education Foundation; Ernest A. Gross, chairman of the National Council's department of international affairs; M. Stanley Livingston, director, Cambridge Electron Accelerator, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard University; Dr. Arthur H. Compton of Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.; and Prof. Albert C. Outler of the Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.



## EDITORIALS

### The Army Needs You, Now!

During World War I James Montgomery Flagg painted the most famous and effective recruitment poster ever used.

It portrayed Uncle Sam in red, white and blue attire pointing fiercely at the on-looker, saying, "Your country needs you!"

The recruiting call has gone out again. You are called upon to enlist. The army needs you—and needs you now!

And by "army," we mean the army of our Lord, the host of those who serve at His command. The liberation of mankind from sin and death, from darkness and despair, has hardly begun. There are multitudes more all about us whom He would also redeem, and there is need of volunteers to bear that news personally.

Sunday is the day! January 5th, the first Lord's Day in the new year, the time for you to enlist! It is Soul-Winning Commitment Day in Baptist churches all across the Southern Baptist Convention. It points a long finger at you and says, "You are needed, someone's salvation awaits your personal witness."

Sign a commitment card this Sunday. Pledge to do your best to win someone to Christ this year. It can be a major turning point in your entire Christian life.

Soul-winning, this telling the story of how Jesus saves, is the simplest form of Christian service. Yet it is at the same time the most effective service we ever render for our Lord.

It is not certain that the Apostle Andrew ever preached a sermon, but he made one of the most notable contributions to Christian history anyone has ever made when he brought his brother, Simon Peter, to Jesus.

Edward Kimball, a Boston business man, may not be remembered by many these days. But he was the man who won to Christ a young shoe clerk named Dwight L. Moody.

Who knows what great good for all humanity you yourself may be doing during 1958 by making that extra effort to win at least one man or woman, boy or girl to Christ?

Whether you have ever consciously and deliberately tried such before, why not make the attempt during the new year?

Be among those who will sign a soul-winning commitment on this recruitment Sunday. Your help is needed—now!

### Of Motes and Beams

Arthur Garfield Hays tells of a young lawyer associate who had been watching the construction of a building across the street.

Suddenly he turned to Hays and said, "See that fellow over there, Art? I've been watching that loafer for the last two hours and he hasn't done a stroke of work."

### The Footprints of Goliath

Archeologists, the patient detectives who seek clues to ancient history, continue to enrich our understanding of the Bible and Bible times.

One of the hottest trails in their business these days leads to south-western Israel where these sand-raising scientists believe they have unearthed the old city of Gath.

At hill Sheikh Ahmed el Areini there are evidences of the period when Goliath terrorized the land. Goliath was born in Gath and his depredations form one of the liveliest chapters in the fabulous era of Saul and David.

Goliath was a giant hulk of a man, the Primo Carnera of his day. And like Carnera, a younger, smaller foe was his undoing.

Excavations at the site of Goliath's home town—if such it is—indicate that this has been a busy corner of the Mediterranean for a long, long time.

An Associated Press release this week tells of sun-dried brick being found on the spot that date back to 3,000 BC and the time when the first Semitic tribes entered the country from the east.

Long-buried cobble stone streets and places of religious sacrifice have been dug up—one of the sacrificial platforms held a bone from a hippopotamus! A fortress has been uncovered, possibly the one stormed by David when he defeated the Philistines.

Taken from another layer of the same hill were pieces of pottery and jar handles with the Hebrew inscription "lamelach," meaning "for the king."

Next summer the ancient haunts of Goliath will be explored more fully.

Meanwhile, the Bible, tying all of the ages more firmly together continues to be a living force and the archeologists' spade reveals more and more of its redemptive message of mankind.

### Using All the Equipment He Had

A teacher noticed that one little boy in her class was drawing everything in heavy black crayon.

He drew black horses, black cows and black barns. Disturbed about what was going on in his mind, she called a meeting of the little boy's parents, the principal of the school and a psychiatrist.

They finally got at the root of the trouble—it was the only crayon he had.

### Supersensory Perception

The chimes of Big Ben are heard in Australia, 13,000 miles from London, we are told, before they are heard on the street below. Transmitted by the British Broadcasting Corp., the sound of the chimes goes out at the speed of light—186,000 miles per second—and reaches Australia in less time than it takes the sound to travel unassisted from the tower to the ground.

Here in America we have a means of communication that seems at times to be even faster. The system is called RUMOR. If the subject matter is derogatory no sound transference appears to be necessary. The message zips from person to person with the speed of thought!

Modern youth doesn't leave footprints on the sands of time—just tire tracks.—Mutual Moments.

The Joy is in knowing you are part of something bigger than you are.—Jerome Hines.

Many a man counted a fool by financiers, has laid up in heaven a fortune they would envy.—John E. Southard.



## The Baptist Forum

### Mental Health

I once was mentally ill and then I called on the Lord. He answered. I wouldn't take all Solomon's gold for knowing Him. Multiplied thousands could be healed as I have been. Mental health is just one of the blessings Jesus gives to every heart that receives Him. I prayed to win souls and God permitted me to start witnessing then, and Jesus came into my heart and flooded it with joy and new life and peace and freedom from paralyzing fears and bitterness.

God has a different way of talking to each person. He prefers to have us read the Bible and answer Him himbly, with prayer. Of course we must read the Bible to live; to truly live. But if for even a short time I forget or put off my Bible reading and prayer, temptations, worries and sins beset me. Worldly people do not know that unbelief is a sin, the sin from which all other sins can spread like grass roots.

I once had one of those hospital beds. Now God has brought me into favor with people who supply all my needs as God prospers them. I have a nice home and many blessings. Time fails me to tell of each person God has used to help me. I pray for them that they may increase in knowledge of God and Jesus and in wisdom and joy. To be mentally healed, one must take a look at the eternal values, must seek first the kingdom of God. It took me some time to get physically well, but His grace is sufficient.

Name Withheld

### In Argentina

At last we have reached Argentina after the many years of preparation. We left Costa Rica the last of July, and as many of you know our first baby, Mark Steven, made his appearance on August 21. We spent the three months in the States packing, visiting, speaking and running to the demands of the baby. Then we sailed from New Orleans on October 24, aboard the DEL SUD and had a wonderful trip down to Buenos Aires arriving on November 13. Now we are looking the fields over and will probably be on our permanent field within two months, but don't wait until then to write.

Mark, Cecile and Mark Steven Alexander.  
Ramon L. Falcon 4080  
Buenos Aires, Argentina.

### Mississippi College

This is a note to tell you that we deeply appreciate your interest and support of Mississippi College. Our many friends have given the college the good name and the public support which has contributed to its phenomenal growth.

The continuing increase in our student body is forcing us to remind our friends that any financial contribution they might be willing to make to the college will be most helpful. Students at the college pay only \$50 to \$60 per cent of the cost of their education through tuition and fees. The income from the State Baptist Convention and the income from the endowment funds furnish an addition-

al 24 to 32 per cent of the operating costs. The remainder of the cost of operation must come from contributions of friends of the college.

R. A. McLemore,  
President  
Mississippi College

### HMB Support

The Home Mission Board, in annual session in Atlanta on December 4th, voted to extend to you and to the Baptist Record its sincere thanks for the splendid cooperation you have given to the publication and promotion services of our Board and to our missionaries in presenting items of news and educational value to your constituency.

We recognize that the state papers are vitally important to the support and the promotion of every phase of our denominational life. We are indeed grateful that you are doing such a good job in your state.

Expressing our very best wishes for the coming year.

Mrs. Clinton H. Whetstone  
Recording Secretary  
Home Mission Board, S.B.C.  
161 Springs Street, N. W.  
Atlanta 3, Ga.

### The Great Northwest

Again we find ourselves in another part of the great Northwest where the needs we came to help meet are plentiful—deepening of interest in worldwide missions, preaching the gospel and assisting in starting new missions and churches.

The Tacoma Church is still in need of help. During our ten months with them we were enabled—with the help of some of you—to help liquidate the debt of \$3,000 on the church lots and to raise \$1,200 additional toward erection of their building.

Ours, we understand, is the only Baptist church of any kind

## Pages From The Past

By J. L. BOYD, Sr.

### 50 Years Ago

The Greenwood Church on a recent Sunday initiated a campaign for the erection of a new church building under the leadership of Pastor Selsus E. Tull. In thirty minutes \$30,310.00 were raised in cash and subscriptions. The membership stands at 328, having increased from 182 in the year 1907.

Pastor W. A. Borum of the Greenville Church (First) closed a great revival of two weeks duration in which Rev. Thomas S. Potts of Memphis did the preaching, resulting in 105 conversions and restorations.

Rev. R. A. Cooper tells of a notable occasion at the annual meeting of the Strong River Baptist Association when he and J. B. Gambrell, T. J. Walne, R. H. Purser, "and 31 others spent the night in the hospitable home of Brother A. B. Guines." (Hospitality abounded in those good old days).

Miss Mary Ratliff of Raymond tells of the box packing for the Frontier Missionary of Associational W. M. U. at Utica. The Missionary Societies of Utica, Chapel Hill, Salem, Learned, Terry, Raymond, and Carpenter churches cooperated to send the box valued at \$150.85.

### 40 Years Ago

Interim Pastor Hendon M. Harris of the Clinton Baptist Church reports a fruitful revival in which Dr. J. T. Christian did the preaching, resulting in thirty-six additions, of whom fifteen were by profession of faith. He states that the Sunday school was moving up to A standard and the W. M. U. was planning to introduce the circle plan.

### 25 Years Ago

Among the Mississippians in attendance at the Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., this year are Geo. H. Gay, F. D. Hewitt, C. Z. Holland, James L. Sullivan, J. W. Middleton, Howard E. Spell and W. O. Vaught.

Sunday School attendance reported on December 18 of leading churches: Meridian, First, 408; Jackson, First 280; Jackson, Calvary, 214; McComb, First 218; Jackson, Davis Mem. 275.

planned for that whole large section of Tacoma, whose population, not counting extensive suburbs, is already 147,000. Importance of the church there and fitness of the location are recognized. Should we not then have a building that will meet the needs and command respect?

Charles and Evelyn Leonard  
Emeritus Foreign Missionaries  
Pioneer Trailer Park  
Twin Falls, Idaho

### The Moores

Three years ago today the



WINTER'S WHITE MANTLE—"Hast thou entered in to the treasures of the snow?"—Job 38:22—(RNS Photo).

## Baptists Protest 'Toleration Act' Which Allows Only Daylight Worship

WILLIAMSBURG, Va., June 13, 1775 (BP) — A so-called "toleration bill" which would prohibit dissenters from worshipping at night was protested by Virginia Baptists today in a petition to the House of Burgesses.

If enacted, the measure also would prohibit Baptists and other dissenters from fastening the doors of their meeting houses, admitting slaves to worship services or baptizing them without the permission of their owners, or conducting services anywhere except at registered meeting houses.

For years Virginia Baptists have demanded their rights under the Act of Toleration passed by the English Parliament in 1689. Under its provisions dissenters are allowed to worship in their meeting houses, and their ministers are licensed to preach under certain conditions.

### Preaching Licenses

Baptists have not enjoyed the benefits of this act in Virginia, however. On charges of "preaching without a license" or "disturbing the peace," with their sermons, scores of Baptists have been arrested and imprisoned and even tortured.

"Baptists find themselves restricted in the exercise of their religion, their teachers imprisoned under various pretenses, and the benefits of the Toleration Act denied them," Virginia Baptists petitioned the House of Burgesses three years ago. They asked then to be "treated with the same indulgence in religious matters" as other dissenters.

Not only have Baptists been subjected to intolerance and persecution, but the courts have made it virtually impossible for them to obey the law where it is observed. Ministers seeking a license must apply to a state court which meets not more than twice a year and which may be miles away. Courts have limited the number of dissenters' meeting houses to one per county.

### Believe In Freedom

James Madison recently observed that "that liberal, catholic and equitable way of thinking, as to the rights of conscience, which is one of the characteristics of a free people . . . is but little known among the zealous adherents of our hierarchy. . . Besides, the clergy are a numerous and powerful body, have great influence at home by reason of their connection with the dependence on the Bishops and Crown, and will naturally employ all their art and interest to depress their rising adversaries."

But Baptists may not long content themselves with futile pleas for toleration. Throughout the colonies there is growing opposition to the established church

Rev. and Mrs. Elton Moore left Mississippi on the first part of their journey to Java, Indonesia, to serve as Southern Baptist Missionaries under the Foreign Mission Board. For about two years now they have been stationed at Kediri, doing general evangelistic work.

About one year ago an appeal was made through the Baptist Record for funds for a special project of the missionaries—a city-wide revival meeting in Kediri. Several churches and individuals responded generously and sent money for this purpose through the Foreign Mission Board. I feel that this report of progress is in order at this time.

On November 14, 1957, Elton wrote "things are beginning to shape up pretty well for the city-wide revival. We have the team, the building, police and military permission and some of the advertisements in the process of being prepared."

"The date is December 29-January 5, at seven o'clock each evening. I hope to have a meeting this week with the ushers. We will have to train them. We hope you and your people will pray for us and the people leading, as well as those whom we hope will attend."

In addition to bringing you up-to-date on the plans of this Evangelistic Campaign, I also want to urge my fellow Mississippi Baptist friends to pray for the success of this soul-winning effort. Indonesia is in turmoil now, and perhaps meetings of this kind will help to save, not only individual souls, but a nation.

W. Levon Moore, Pastor  
Second Avenue  
Baptist Church,  
Laurel

and the crown, and Baptists are aligning themselves with those who stand ready to fight for civil and religious freedom. Copyright, 1957, by Historical Commission, Southern Baptist Convention

## Counselor's Corner

By Dr. L. Lofton Hudson



(Author of the book, FOR OUR AGE OF ANXIETY, which you may purchase at your Baptist Book Store)

### "WIFE CONFESSIONS"

QUESTION: My husband is in the armed forces. Once, while he was away from home I fell into sin and went out with another man. Later I confessed this to him. He slapped me and then said he was sorry and that he would forgive me if I would forgive him. Later I became depressed and have been treated by a psychiatrist. But I still feel depressed and anxious. Do you suppose God and my husband can ever forgive me?

ANSWER: You have a very complicated situation. Your husband cannot be expected to forget this overnight. He has been deeply hurt and needs help in managing his hostility. Perhaps he will need to see a counselor himself. Otherwise he may punish you without intending to.

Your problem is deeper. You need help from some Christian counselor who understands the human conscience. God will forgive you if you trust Him; so will your husband if he is a true Christian. But you must accept yourself as a sinner and learn to live orderly under God and with man. What good does self-punishment do? Does it make you a better person?

Quit punishing yourself. Live in the present. This is God's will for you.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 W. 47th St., Kansas City 12, Mo.)

## Calendar of Prayer

January 6—C. C. Penn, Pike Association Training Union Director; Charles Little, Lawrence Association Brotherhood President.

January 7—Rev. Lincoln Newman, Supt. of Missions, Southeast Area; Mrs. H. B. Duckworth, Gulf Coast Association W. M. U. Pres.

January 8—Dr. Jack Gunn, Mississippi College faculty; Brooks Haynes, Blue Mountain College faculty.

January 9—Jo Allene Wesson, Clarke College faculty; Martha Ann Hale, B. S. U. Director, Southwest Junior College.

January 10—Paul Booth, Baptist Bldg.; Mrs. J. H. Broome, Baptist Bldg.

January 11—Audrey Weimorts, B. S. U. Director, Perkinson Junior College; Dr. Clarice M. Robinson, William Carey College faculty.

January 12—Dr. John Landrum, Exec. Committee, Miss. Bapt. Conv. Bd.; Dr. Earl Kelly, Exec. Committee, Miss. Bapt. Conv. Bd.

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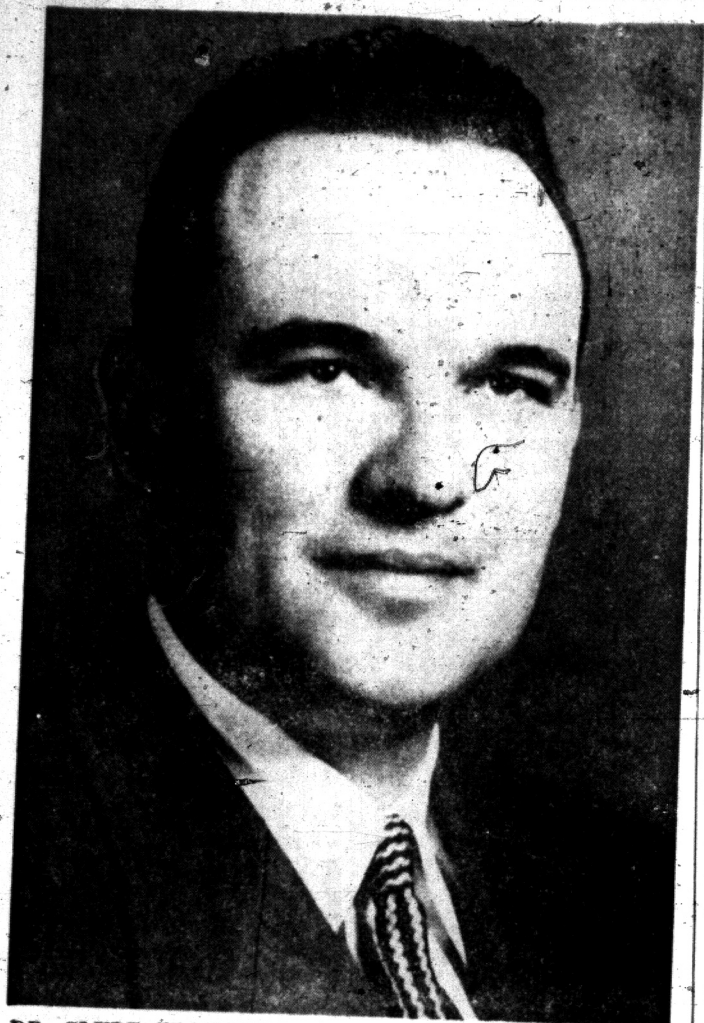
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## Dr. Clyde T. Francisco To Teach "Studies In Hosea" At Northside



DR. CLYDE FRANCISCO of the Southern Seminary faculty, Louisville, Ky., will be guest speaker at Northside Church, Jackson, next week.

A church-wide Bible Study Week will be observed at Northside Church, Jackson, January 5-8, with Dr. Clyde Francisco as the teacher.

Dr. Francisco is professor of Old Testament Interpretation at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and is widely recognized as an outstanding minister, having served as pastor in several of the larger Baptist churches of the South.

The course will include "Studies in Hosea."

A special Sunday schedule is arranged for Sunday with the Intermediate I Department and above, according to the Rev. Henry Crouch, pastor at Northside.

Young people will be interested to know that Dr. Francisco is not only a great minister and teacher of the Bible, but an au-

thor and a former star football player.

He is the author of a book, "Introducing the Old Testament," and in his high school days, was a football letterman, all state, in Virginia high school and a former fullback at the University of Richmond.

Married and the father of two children, Dr. Francisco served in ministerial capacities at various times at Ashland, Va.; Bedford, Ky.; Lexington, Ky.; Bowling Green, Ky.; Kenora, W. Va.; and was a visiting professor at Golden Gate Seminary from 1953 to 1954.

He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Alpha Epsilon Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis, and the National Association of Biblical Instructors.



Five students from Mississippi will be graduated by Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, during commencement exercises January 17.

Four of them — James Ruffin of Maben, Robert Wall of Brookhaven, Malcolm Lovell of Pontotoc, and G. H. Surratt of Water Valley — will receive Bachelor of Divinity degrees. Walton Caughman of Magee will receive a Master of Religious Education degree.

Southwestern will grant 119 degrees to students from 21 states and six foreign countries. Included are seven degrees and diplomas from the School of Church Music, 47 in the School of Religious Education, and 65 in the School of Theology.

Dr. John W. Raley, president of the Oklahoma Baptist University, will deliver the commencement address.

## SBC Secret Ballot Recommended

NASHVILLE (BP)—The Southern Baptist Executive Committee recommends that the Southern Baptist Convention return to a former policy of secret ballot for all contested Convention offices.

When only one person is nominated for a Convention office, however, the Executive Committee recommends that the Convention's secretary or anyone designated for the purpose cast the ballot for the Convention.

Both proposed changes in the policy of electing SBC officers will be voted on by the Convention at Houston next May.

In recent years, many elections in which two or more were nominated for the same office have been held by standing or by voice votes. The Executive Committee felt that secret balloting on contested offices would avoid possible embarrassment to any messenger through a public voice or standing vote.

## Guy Moore Named to National TV Spot

Dr. Guy Moore, pastor of Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, has been selected by the Columbia Broadcasting System to represent Southern Baptists on its "Lamp Unto My Feet" television program, Sunday, January 12.

Originating at 10:00 a. m. (EST) from the Columbia Broadcasting System studios in New York City, the 30-minute program will feature a dramatic sequence on the subject of religious superstition. Dr. Moore will discuss the moral and spiritual implications of the drama.

## Irby to Louisiana

Rev. David I. Irby has accepted a call from the First Church of Shidell, Louisiana, to be their pastor and has moved into the city.

Prior to his going to Louisiana he served for eight years as pastor of churches in Mississippi. His last pastorate was the Crosby Church where he served from more than four years. While at Crosby, the church responded to his leadership by building, equipping and completely paying for an entire church plant. Before going to Crosby Mr. Irby served as pastor of the Brooklyn Church in Lebanon Association.

He is presently enrolled as a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Theology in the New Orleans Seminary and plans to complete all requirements for this degree in the coming months. He is married to the former Frances Marilyn Woodham of Hattiesburg, and they have two daughters, Debra Maribeth, age 5, and David Gay, age 9 months.

LEXINGTON, Mass. — Hancock Congregational church here said it would seek a court ruling on the refusal of the Lexington Historic District Commission to allow it to add Sunday school rooms and offices to its present structure.

## Baptist Hour Heard In State

Radio Station WJQS in Jackson is carrying the Baptist Hour as a public service through the month of January on a trial basis and listeners are urged to write the Station commending the program and asking it to continue the Hour.

Dr. Roy McClain, pastor First Church, Atlanta, is the speaker for the program, to be found at 140 on the dial.

Whether the station continues the program will be dependent on the response of listeners. The program is carried each Saturday afternoon from 5:00-5:30.

Miss Shirley Jackson, Southern Baptist missionary appointee to South Brazil, has completed language school in Campinas and will go to her permanent field in Rio de Janeiro, where she is to serve with the All-Brazil treasurer. Her address is Caixa Postal 352, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Miss Jackson makes her permanent American home in Natchez, Miss.

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — Four church bodies with a total of 478,000 members were voted into the National Council of Churches at its triennial general assembly, here. This brings to 34 the number of communions in the National Council.

## Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

### ASSOCIATIONAL PLANNING MEETING REPORTS

A tremendous planning meeting schedule has been underway in Mississippi during the fall. Our Associational organization has been advanced many years ahead of schedule as a result of this splendid effort. Below you will find a list of the Associations in which planning meetings have been held. Mississippi, Pike, Adams, Union, Copiah, Simpson, Rankin, Hinds, Yazoo, Tallahatchie, DeSoto, Smith, Jasper, Wayne, Greene, Pearl River, Lawrence, Calhoun, New Choctaw, Grenada, Riverside, Zion, Choctaw, Clay, Alcorn, Oktibbeha, Marshall, Prentiss, George, Pontotoc, Walthall, Marion, Perry, Washington, Attala, Jones, Lafayette, Lauderdale, Jeff Davis, Tishomingo, Jackson, Leflore, Gulf Coast, Scott, Newton, Neshoba, Leake, Clarke, Lamar, Bolivar, Lebanon, Winston, Sharkey-Issaquena.

### GENERAL ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC SCHOOL FOR 1958

The Central Music School program will be the largest we have ever had in our State in any one year. The large number of scheduled associational schools is one of the results of the extensive planning meeting program held in the fall. Below you will find a list of the Associations planning to hold central schools in 1958. Mississippi, Copiah, Rankin, Hinds, Yazoo, Washington, Jones, Attala, Lafayette, Lauderdale, Jeff Davis, Tishomingo, Jackson, Leflore, Gulf Coast, Scott, Newton, Neshoba, Leake, Clarke, Lamar, Bolivar, Lebanon, Winston, Sharkey-Issaquena. Those which have tentative set dates are: Grenada, Riverside, Zion, Choctaw, Clay, Alcorn, Oktibbeha, Marshall, Prentiss, George, Pontotoc, Walthall, Marion, Perry.



COUNSELORS—Elmer West, Richmond, personnel secretary, Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, checks with Joe W. Burton, Nashville, secretary, home education department, Baptist Sunday School Board, and Wayne E. Oates, professor of psychology, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, on details of the program for the Third Southern Baptist Counseling and Guidance Conference to be held in Nashville Sept. 29-Oct. 1. Sponsors are the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Foreign Mission Board, Sunday School Board, Christian Life Commission, and Education Commission. Theme for the conference is "Church and Family in Action."



HALLOWED SPOT, Jerusalem, Israel—General view of Mt. Zion in Jerusalem, Israel. Hallowed ground to Jews, Christians and Moslems, Mt. Zion is the site of King David's tomb, of the room of the Last Supper, and the Church of Dormition (at left). Awe-inspiring in beauty, serenity and spirit, Jerusalem the Eternal City, has drawn pilgrims and tourists to its gates from time immemorial. Here Israel's visitor can truly walk in the footsteps of the prophets and the kings and breathe the air imbued with the spirit of the Bible.—(Israeli Photo).



CHURCH SETS THREE APART—McDowell Road Church, Jackson, Rev. Jimmy Yarbrough, pastor, has had the distinct honor to ordain one and license two others to the Gospel ministry. At left is Pat Nowell, who was ordained Dec. 1. He is the son of Mrs. Eunice Nowell and the late Anton A. Nowell. He has accepted the call to the Ireland Church, Ireland, Texas. In center is Jasper W. Collins, who was licensed Dec. 22 and who plans to enter Miss. College soon. At right is Raymond C. Lyons of Minden, La., who was licensed Dec. 22 and who has enrolled at Mississippi College.

### IMPORTANT

Many Associations are having Christmas Carol Singings during the Christmas Season. The Music office has received a number of reports. If your Association has a Carol Sing please send us the report to the Church Music Department as soon as possible.

A review of this will appear in the music column of the Baptist Record, sometimes during the month of January. Please do not delay. Send your report in immediately.

### REGISTER NOW!!!

The State Carol Choir Festival will be held at Mississippi

College on Saturday, February 8th. Don't forget to send in your registration as soon as possible. If you have a question, write to Church Music Department, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi. We are expecting to have 1,000 boys and girls in this festival at Mississippi College on February 8.

## Mercer Will Observe 125th Year

MACON, Ga. (BP)—Mercer University here, one of Georgia Baptist Convention's colleges, will celebrate its 125th anniversary January 14.

It was on this date in 1833 that the university, named for a distinguished Baptist minister, Jesse Mercer, first opened to 39 students at Penfield, Ga.

Part of the anniversary celebration will be dedication of Mercer's new, \$750,000 student center, still under construction. Two other new buildings were dedicated last November.



DR. EDDY IN INDIA — VELLORE, India—Dr. Sherwood Eddy, 86-year old missionary and lecturer, addressed a large gathering of youths attending a meeting in Voorhees College here. The veteran Christian leader has been working with youths in the U. S. and abroad during most of his life. For more than 50 years he served as national secretary and overseas secretary of the YMCA and spent most of this time in Asia. He is the author of more than 40 volumes on religious, social, economic and international subjects.—(RNS Photo).



SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER HONORED—RICHMOND, Va.—Mrs. Melcepa Longan West, 79, a Sunday school teacher here for some 55 years, is presented with a "tribute book" by one of her former pupils, David R. Griffith, Jr. of Richmond. The presentation was made at a party in Leigh Street Baptist church where 35 Richmond men, all former pupils of "Miss Mel," as she is affectionately called, gathered to honor her. The book contains a collection of handwritten tributes from 39 of her former pupils, one of whom lives in the Middle East.—(RNS Photo).



## CIRCULATING

With The  
Associate Editor

Two associations, Adams and Warren, have attained the position of being 100% Every-Family Plan Baptist Record groups. Every church in both associations has the Every-Family Plan of the Baptist Record.

Rev. W. B. Boatner of Fayette is superintendent of missions

CIRCULATION THIS  
WEEK: 87,585  
LOSS: 71

for Adams and Union associations. Warren has no superintendent of missions.

Running close behind these two are four other associations that lack only one each of being 100 per cent.

These are George, Jackson, Pike and Sharkey-Issaquena.

Rev. W. P. Young is superintendent of missions for Jackson. Rev. Lincoln Newman, now associate in the state Cooperative Missions Department, was previously area missionary for Perry, George and Greene counties.

### Lack Two

Seven associations lack only two churches of being 100%. These are: Clay, Greene, Jeff Davis, Lamar, Lauderdale, Le-flore, and Waltham.

Twelve associations lack only three churches of reaching 100% status. These are DeSoto, Gulf Coast, Hinds, Humphreys, Le-banon, Lincoln, Madison, Rankin, Sunflower, Tallahatchie, Tate, and Union.

Congratulations to the above associations and thanks to everyone who had any part in the achievement.

We trust that the achievement of Adams and Warren will be an inspiration to all other associations to want to do likewise.

## Sunday School And Training Union Attendance

December 29, 1927

Amory, First	383	91
Antioch (Rankin)	59	46
Batesville, First	434	193
Belden	117	48
Booneville, First	286	102
Brandon	282	144
Brookhaven, First	646	162
Southway	92	51
Halbert Heights	20	24
Bruce, First	303	74
Byram	224	115
Calhoun City, First	318	137
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	496	158
Cleveland, First	412	106
Main	364	
Chinese Mission	48	
Collins	171	96
Columbus, First	843	224
Main	730	172
Fairview	113	52
Crystal Sprs., First	532	163
Flowood	86	65
Furrs (Pontotoc)	70	36
Greenville, First	793	286
Main	714	
Chinese Mission	79	
Greenwood, North	300	84
Gulfport, First	739	260
Gulfport:		
Grace Memorial	207	66
H'burg, Immanuel	263	96
H'burg, Main St.	831	348
Main	798	
N. Main Mission	28	
Calvary Mission	5	
H'burg, 38th Ave.	184	99
Hebron (Jones)	83	66
Hebron:		
Alta Woods	550	216
Broadmoor	436	179
Calvary	1304	445
Main	1270	428
Mission	34	17
Daniel Mem.	830	354
Hillcrest	329	176
Midway	211	88
Parkway	819	405
First	1218	340
Highland	138	70
West	362	162
Southside	202	144
Kosciusko, First	620	173
Main	595	
Maple Mission	25	
Kossuth (Alcorn)	50	
Laurel First	529	125
Laurel, South	80	47
Longview (Oktibbeha)	80	55
Lucedale	369	156
McComb, Central	187	69
McComb, Locust St.	104	40
Macedonia (Lincoln)	243	145
Meridian:		
First	699	156
(Oakland Hgts.)	293	91
(Arrowood Mission)	87	21
Eighth Avenue	182	70
Forty-First Ave.	310	90
Emmanuel	70	34
State Blvd.	271	118
Popular Sprs. Dr.	408	137
Grandview Chapel	23	22
Highland	524	187
Morton, East Side	103	108

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## Howell to Lead State VBS Clinic



Crawford Howell, of Nashville, Tenn., will be the principal program personality for the annual State Vacation Bible School Clinic for associational leaders to be held at Jackson's First Church, Jan. 13-15.

Mr. Howell, associate in the Vacation Bible School Department of the Sunday School Board, will be assisted by the members of the State Sunday

School Department staff.

Dr. E. C. Williams, acting state Sunday School secretary, pointed out that while everyone was welcome to attend, those especially urged to be present are the associational Bible School officers and leaders.

They will be urged to return to their home associations and lead in the conducting of an associational clinic.

## Escatawpa Has Good Week

On Sunday, December 22, the Escatawpa Church brought its Christmas week observance to a close with Dr. R. G. Lee of Memphis as the principal speaker.

On Wednesday the Junior Department of the Sunday School presented a play titled "The Babe of Bethlehem," and on the closing Sunday, C. G. Boone, Sunday School Superintendent presented the Church with a metal encased certificate stating that the Church now has a Standard Sunday School.

Attendance pins were awarded for perfect Sunday School attendance. The Church adopted

the "pin award" system in 1951 and at the close of that year, only two people received pins, however, on this date 28 people received their attendance pins.

Climaxing the week in the Church, the combined Church choirs presented the Christmas Story in Scripture and song under direction of Mrs. Claude Nolf, music director.

The chairman of the Deacons, Wallace Grierson then made the pastor's Christmas a merry one as he presented him with a gift from the church, Rev. Ralph Young is pastor.

## Parkway To Dedicate Children's Building

Dedication and open house of the recently completed air conditioned Children's Building of Parkway Church, Jackson, will be held Sunday afternoon, January 5, at 2:30 o'clock. Built and equipped at a cost of approximately \$340,000, this beautifully decorated unit of the Parkway Educational plant houses eight completely modern Nurseries, four Beginner, seven Primaries and

Natchez, First	547	170
Newton, First	385	109
Olive Branch	154	83
Pascagoula, First	690	237
Main	608	209
McArthur Chapel	58	24
E. Wash. Ave. Chapel	24	
Pearl (Rankin)	214	128
Petal, Crestview	38	33
Petal, First	148	68
Petal-Harvey	364	193
Main	330	154
Harvey Mission	34	39
Petal, Temple	169	82
Picayune, First	541	113
Main	522	
Mission	19	
Potts Camp	85	46
Purvis, First	237	66
Ripley, First	261	94
Rufleville	253	87
Ruth	51	58
Soso, First	169	85
Starkville, First	674	238
Steen's Crk (Rankin)	227	119
Tishomingo Chapel (Alcorn)	75	42
Tupelo, Harrisburg	486	186
Tupelo, First	454	118
Union, First	331	113
Wayside (Yaobusha)	36	33
West End (Winston)	79	63

Two Adult Departments, kindergarten, library, recreational facilities including: large assembly hall, parlor, gymnasium, kitchen-ette, scout room and other recreational space.

Dr. J. M. Price, director emeritus of the School of Religious Education of Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, will be the principal speaker. The following week, January 6-9, Dr. Price will be the teacher of a church-wide Bible Study at Parkway, using Dr. K. O. White's new book, "Studies in Hosea."

Occupancy of this building relieved other crowded quarters

and permitted overall expansion of Parkway's Sunday School, Training Union and recreational facilities. It also makes possible the organization of one additional Adult Department, bringing the total to five, one additional junior and two primary departments, giving the Sunday School a grand total of forty-one departments with 1990 enrolled. The Training Union has twenty-four departments with 754 enrolled.

Hinds County Baptists and other friends, are cordially invited to attend the formal opening of this modern educational building.

## To Lead Revival

The North Mobile Baptist Youth Fellowship sponsored a Youth-led Crusade at the First Church, Citronelle, Ala., Dec. 26-Jan. 1. Thirteen churches participated. Dr. W. A. Ritchie, Mobile, was the special speaker and Pegie Dudley, student at Judson College, was the pianist.

The following students from Carey participated in the services: Lena Casey, Chalk Artist; Evio do Oliveira, song leader; and Rev. David Millican, preacher.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Church construction in November totalled \$78,000,000, a new record for the month, the Departments of Commerce and Labor reported. It was \$4,000,000 higher than November, 1956.



TO LEAD BIBLE STUDY AT SOUTHSIDE — Dr. E. R. Pinson, Professor of Bible at Mississippi College, will teach "Studies in Hosea" January 6-10, at Southside Church, Jackson. Rev. S. W. Valentine is pastor.

HARRISBURG, Pa. — The Ministerium of Greater Harrisburg has asked the city council for a strong ordinance banning business operations on Sunday.

PRINCETON, N. J. — Dr. John A. Mackay, president of Princeton Theological Seminary here, said he would make a five-day visit to Hungary beginning Dec. 17.

# Your shadow and your substance

Cast a shadow of faith and influence across generations to come by making your substance work for Christ. Through a will you can create an endowment fund with Mississippi Baptist Foundation for the benefit of Baptist schools, hospitals, children's homes and missions.



CONTACT YOUR ATTORNEY. MAKE YOUR NAME A BAPTIST INSTITUTION AS A BENEFICIARY.

The Mississippi Baptist Foundation will be glad to confer with you and your attorney.



# "As A Man Thinketh"

By L. GORDON SANSING  
Secretary Cooperative Missions Dept.



Character has been defined as the sum total of the choices we have made. Character is more than reputation. Character is what you are—reputation is what others think you are, or as one has put it, "What you get caught at." Abraham Lincoln said, "Character is like a tree and reputation like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing."

No nation can rise higher than the character of its people. That being true, and I believe it, the words of William Ellery Channing are expressive. Said he, "The great hope of society is the individual character." The individual is important and must be taken into account. God is interested in individuals and gave Jesus as the Saviour of the individual. Ours should be, as Christian citizens, a constant effort to possess that character made possible by a right relation to God and to lead others in that direction.

## Child By Child We Build

Someone has said that child by child we built a nation. So, if our influence cannot be national or worldwide in scope, we can help the individual next to us and thereby contribute our individual influence on individuals. From an unknown origin comes this statement that characters are achieved—not received. They grew out of the substance of the man's soul. They are not put on as a beggar might put on a stolen coat. They grow with us.

Therefore, as states Dr. Walter C. Coffey, "All education should be directed toward the development of character. Sound character cannot be achieved if spiritual development is neglected. I do not like to think of turning out physical and mental giants who are spiritual pygmies." It is certainly true that those who value character build their lives on solid foundations of morality, knowledge and religion. Godliness and character go together. A Godless man is a rudderless man. A Godless nation is a rudderless nation.

Building a character is not without rewards. When J. P. Morgan was asked what he considered the best bank collateral, he replied, "Character." The story is told of a poor boy in Pennsylvania who was struggling to get an education. He studied and toiled and taught, and contrived in every way, and finally got through. Hearing of a vacancy in a Chicago bank, he decided to try for it. His mother objected and friends laughed at him. But he felt that he must try the great world. He met the bank president in his office, who touched a button, the bank's detective stepped in, looked at the boy, and went out.

The president said, "Come back in a week." He came back. The president said, "There are forty-six applicants for this place. All have been watched for a week. Only two boys passed the character examination, which touched particularly the points of extravagance, vice, where evenings were spent, and Sundays. All this is strictly business, not at all an inquisition into private character. This bank must take account of these things for its own sake. Of the two boys, you have the best qualifications, and the place is yours."

TAIPEI, Formosa — An eight-foot-high statue of the Virgin Mary is to be erected in a new public park here. It will stand in a section originally dedicated to the "Heavenly Mother," named after a pagan goddess.

BOSTON — A series of religious displays on historic Boston Common and adjacent Public Gardens highlights the eighth annual Christmas Festival here. Theme of the festival is "Keep Christ in Christmas."



EDUCATION—La Paz, Bolivia—Women who live among the mountain peaks of the Andes in Bolivia learn to cook properly under the guidance of a UNESCO representative. American missionaries have cooperated in many such humanitarian projects sponsored by the United Nations.

## NEW BOOKS

(Available through your Baptist Book Store in Jackson; brief notations by Editor)

WERE YOU THERE? by Erich H. Heintzen (Concordia, 77 pp., \$1.50) — Easter Sermons.

A TIME APART by Virginia Ely (Fleming H. Revell, 188 pp., \$2.50) — daily devotion for youth.

PICTORIAL HISTORY OF PROTESTANTISM by Vergilius Firm (Philosophical Library, 368 pp., \$10.00) — marvelous craftsmanship, a collector's item.

MAKE LIFE COUNT by Robert Clyde Yarbrough (Christopher, 112 pp., \$2.50) — themes on worthy Christian living.

POINTS FOR EMPHASIS, 1958 by Clifton J. Allen (Broadman Press, 213 pp.) — 41st annual volume, concise and comprehensive.

MYSTICISM EAST AND WEST by Rudolph Otto (Meridian Books, Inc., 262 pp., \$1.35) — for the thinker!

THE UNITY OF THE BIBLE by H. H. Rowley (Meridian Books, Inc., 232 pp., \$1.35) — a scholarly work by a professor at the University of Manchester in England who dedicates his book to Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, his alma mater.

DOSTOEVSKY by Nicholas Bergdyayev (Meridian Books, Inc., 227 pp.) — a search for the well-springs of a literary genius!



## Moselle Revival

Rev. Charles Holifield, pastor Calvary Church, Waynesboro, will do the preaching for the revival at Moselle Church January 13-19.

James B. Blakney, minister of music at Emmanuel Church, Jackson, will lead the music. Rev. H. L. Davis is pastor.

THEMES TO PONDER by John C. Bentz van den Berg (Vantage Press, Inc., 135 pp., \$2.95) — religious essays.

PSYCHOLOGY, RELIGION, AND HUMAN NEED by W. L. Carrington (Channe Press, 315 pp., \$3.75) — a counseling guide for preachers, teachers and others.

BEHOLD GOD'S LOVE by Hazel Mason Hadley (John Knox press, 239 pp., \$2.50) — de-

## Mark Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Bush of Harrisville will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house from 2 until 4 P. M. Sunday, Jan. 12. They were born and reared in Simpson County, and have spent their lives in that county.

They are the parents of Rev. J. P. Bush Union, Miss. Mrs. T. J. Swafford Jackson, Mrs. E. S. Lee Mt. Olive, Mrs. J. T. Carter Jackson and Mrs. William Toland Waco, Texas. They have 15 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

votes for the Junior High age. THIS WAY, PLEASE by Roy O. McClain (Fleming H. Revell, 217 pp., \$3.00) — sermons by the pastor of the First Baptist Church, Atlanta.

PELOUBET'S SELECT NOTES, 1958, by Wilbur M. Smith (W. A. Wilde Co., 455 pp., \$2.95) — sound, helpful.

GOLD FROM GOLGOTHA by Russell Bradley Jones (Baker, 96 pp., \$1.75) — excellent sermons by one of the most colorful Southern Baptist preachers.

THE GREAT LIGHT by Valdis Mezezers (Christopher, 139 pp., \$2.50) — sermons by a Latvian Lutheran.

AGENDA FOR ACTION by James P. Warburg (Academy Books, 211 pp., \$1.25) — signposts on the road to peace.

THE EXECUTIVE LIFE by the Editors of Fortune (Doubleday, 223 pp.) — strong medicine for men in the ulcer bracket.



CELEBRATE FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY—Mr. and Mrs. William P. Kerr, of McCool, Mississippi, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lee of Little Rock, Arkansas, held Open House at the Kerr home in McCool on December 25 from 2 until 5 p. m. honoring Mrs. Kerr's brother and Mrs. Lee's sister, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. McCool (pictured above) of Gloster on their golden wedding anniversary. The living room was decorated with large baskets of white and gold chrysanthemums. The three-tiered wedding cake in gold and white encircled with small gold mums and lace fern was placed on a table overlaid with an imported lace cloth. A large number of friends and relatives called during the afternoon.

## WMU Book

NOTICE: The book "The Long Bridge" will no longer be available at the Baptist Book Store as the publication has been withdrawn by the Home Mission Board.

If you fool the people to get their money, that's fraud, and you can be jailed; but if you do it to get their votes, that's shrewd politics.

## Freedom Church Ordains Deacons

The Freedom Church, Laurel, ordained three men as deacons at a recent service. These were: Ben Rigdon, Dewitt Strickland and Mel Busby.

Rev. Ramon Vaughn, pastor Magnolia Street Church, Laurel, preached the sermon, with Rev. Herbert Kinnon, pastor, serving as moderator.

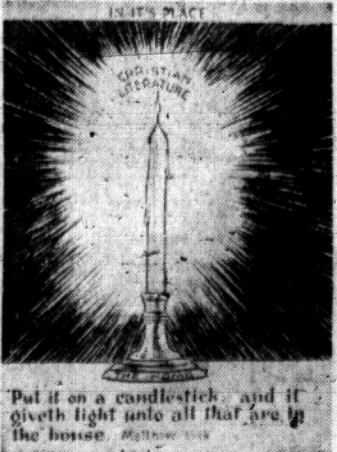


DR. DAHLBERG GREETED IN ALASKA—Anchorage, Alaska—Air Force and Army staff chaplains greet Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg of St. Louis, Mo., president of the National Council of Churches, on his arrival here for his week-long Christmas visit with American servicemen. They are Chaplain (Col.) Martin C. Poch, USAF (left); and Chaplain (Col.) Lyle Bartholomew, USA. Dr. Dahlberg made the journey as spiritual ambassador of the National Council's 34 Protestant and Eastern Orthodox communions and churches. (RNS Photo).

## Paper Keeps Status

DENVER — (BP) — The Rocky Mountain Baptist publication of the Colorado Baptist General Convention here, will continue to publish twice a month in 1958 with Convention Executive Secretary W. J. Ray as its editor.

The convention had hoped to publish the paper on a weekly basis during 1958 and to elect a full-time editor. However, lack of finances resulted in postponement.



## \$400,000 Texas Gift

DALLAS — (BP) — F. E. Gardner, Cleburn, Tex., businessman, announced a \$400,000 gift to the Texas Baptist Foundation.

Income from the trust gift, named for the donor and his wife, Sara, will accumulate until Gardner's death. At that time the trust will become the Felix E. Gardner Endowment and all proceeds will go to Texas Baptist schools, hospitals and benevolent home.

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

# Church's Foundation Shown

For January 5

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell

THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION. Scripture Texts: Matthew 16:13-19; Ephesians 2:9-22; Colossians 1:15-20.

With this lesson we begin a three-months study of the New Testament doctrine of the church. For this purpose our lesson committee has selected for us as first of all the words of Jesus in Matthew 16, where He uttered words which made clear His purpose to establish His church, but left His words subject to man's misunderstanding, or, rather should we say, to the misinterpretation of designedly misunderstanding men. But we have brief space to devote to a study of the words of the Lord, so from here on.

I. HIS QUESTION AND THE ANSWER OF THE WORLD. He came into the coasts ("the region, the district of") "Caesarea Philippi." The district, the region lay at the foot of Mount Hermon, and was away from the thronging multitudes about the Lake, and Jesus seems to have led His party into a comparatively quiet place for a brief period of rest.

And now and here away from the crush of the crowd, after these men who walked with Him had been with Him long enough to understand somewhat of Him in His significance to the world. He thought it well to have these men speak what they thought of Him, but to lead them to this confession, He would have them first tell Him the opinion of the crowd concerning Him.

"Who do men say that the Son of Man is?" "With ears of flesh they have been listening to Him and with the eyes of flesh they have been seeing Him, so some say one thing, some another. At any rate, they all rationalize Him. He is one or another of a number of great men, so an end to wonder on His account. "But ye, who do ye say I am?" And from Brother Peter the immediate answer, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God."

II. JESUS' INTERPRETATION OF PETER'S WORDS.

"Happy art thou Simon Bar-Jona." (Happy art thou, Simon John's son, or, better, perhaps, Happy art thou, Simon John-son) "For flesh and blood has not revealed this unto you." No one by searching could find this out. This is a case in which God bent the heavens and came down to reveal to a man, what that man could not have learned had not God showed it to him. This is the only way in which any man ever comes to know Jesus as the Christ and Son of the living God.

"I tell you, ye are Peter" (You are rock, or, a rock, if you'd rather) "and upon this rock." Upon living men of such faith as yours. It is long to tell of the heated controversies that have raged around the meaning of these words. Of course Peter is in the foundation, or Paul was wrong, and don't think so; and Paul, writing to the Ephesians 2:19, 20, says, "You are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets," and Peter was one of those, of which household "Christ Jesus Himself being the chief cornerstone." He is the chief corner, and there is not here or elsewhere the slightest intimation that Peter was here appointed Boss Apostle. The apostles are brethren of equal rank as far as any authority goes.

III. THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE EXPERIENCE OF JESUS AS DEITY. "Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." The gates of death, of the underworld, shall never swallow it. It has stood the tests of fire and flood, of all the forces that man or devil could bring to bear upon it, but it still lives.

Crowns and thrones have perished, Kingdoms have risen and were, the church of Jesus constant has remained. Our Lord had no thought of an insurrection complete till the last soul is in, and all the ransomed church of God are saved. But what the means of this everlasting growth and victory of the

church? He appointed the means of its unceasing triumph.

"I will give you the keys of the kingdom." Every intelligent Jew of Jesus' day understood that the keys. They were well known as the insignia of the office of scribe, the teacher of the law of God, the keeper of the door of knowledge. The gift of the keys meant the imposition of duty exactly equal to ability, not privilege but performance. The gift of the keys is to every man and woman in the world to whom God has revealed Jesus as Savior, and woe to the man or woman who does not employ the keys to unlock the door of hope to those who are hopeless. If those to whom the door is opened enter it, that is a thing ratified by heaven. "Is having been bound in heaven," and those to whom the door is opened in vain, who have opportunity but will not embrace it, that action upon the part of him who refuses is also one in whose case, "It shall be, having been done in Heaven."



## Walker Resigns

Rev. Barney Walker, Sr., has resigned as pastor of Temple Church of Jackson, and will after March 1 return to full time evangelistic work.

Sign of the Times—Outside an antique shop: "You think it is junk! Come in and price it!"

## Off The Record

"Are you an actress, Auntie?" "No darling, why do you ask?" "Because Daddy said when you came we'd have a scene."

A woman was having an upstairs room painted and was worried at the workman's slow progress, since she was paying him by the hour. Listening at the foot of the stairs, she could not hear a sound.

"Mr. Henry," she called up, "are you painting?" "Yes, ma'am," came the reply. "That's funny," she snapped, "because I can't hear you working."

"Listen, lady," was the exasperated reply, "I ain't putting it on with a hammer!"

An attorney and his four-year-old son were walking solemnly home from church when the small boy looked up with a puzzled expression.

"Daddy, why do they always say 'amen' when they pray?" he asked, earnestly. "Why don't they ever say 'awomen'?"

The lawyer explained as best he could that it was an old established custom, with a Biblical precedent. But the boy seemed unconvinced.

"I think," he said after some consideration, "that it's because all the songs are hymns."

Albert was taking part in a local concert. He was only seven years old, but he recited so well that he was encored.

"Well, Albert, and how did you get on?" asked the proud father when he returned home.

"Why, I thought I did all right!" replied the youngster, "but they made me do it again."—EX.

Agitated Customer (rushing into drug store): "Look here, you gave me strychnine instead of quinine!" Druggist (calmly): Then that will be ten cents more.

HAY—Hay is something we must make between the time we get out of it and the time we hit it.—Link.